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CHAPTER 349

AN ACT TO PROVIDE A SPECIAL ANNUAL TAX LEVY FOR MECKLENBURG COUNTY FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT OF PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Special election on question of tax levy for maintenance and support of public libraries, Mecklenburg County, authorized.

Section 1. That the Board of County Commissioners for Mecklenburg County may, by a majority vote of the board. after thirty days notice at the courthouse door and publication in one or more newspapers published in Mecklenburg County, order a special election to be held at such time as they may fix, to determine the will of the people of the county as to whether or not the Board of County Commissioners of the county shall levy a special annual tax not to exceed five cents on each one hundred dollars of the assessed value of the real and personal property taxable in Mecklenburg County to be set aside and used as a fund for the maintenance and support of public libraries in Mecklenburg County. The question of levving such special annual tax shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the county at an election to be held as hereinbefore provided. In the event the Board of Commissioners for Mecklenburg County shall order a special election to determine the will of the people of the county, the question of levying such special annual tax, they may order a new registration of the qualified voters of the county for such election, and notice of such new registration shall be deemed sufficiently given by publication once in some newspaper published in said county at least thirty days before the close of the registration books. The published notice of registration shall state the days on which the books will be open for registration of voters and the places at which they will be open on Saturdays, and the names of the polling places. It shall be sufficient notice of the election if such notice is published thirty (30) days before the election. The books of such new registration shall open on the fourth Saturday before the election day and close on the second Saturday before the election day. The Saturday before the election day shall be "Challenge Dav."

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SEC. 2. The Board of County Commissioners for Meck-lenburg County at said special election shall cause to be placed at each voting precinct in the county a ballot box marked "Maintenance and support of Public Libraries." That at said election, all voters of the county who are duly qualified electors and have duly registered for said election may vote in such special election. Each of said voters when they come to the polling places to vote on the day of the election shall be supplied by the election officials with a ballot. The form of the question shall be in substantially the words, "For Maintenance and Support of